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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Intent to Revise a Currently Approved Information

Collection

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA

Agency Docket Number: NIFA-2017-0005

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations which implement the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA) intention to request approval to extend the currently approved information collection in support of authorizations to use the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by [60 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: NIFA invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

Mail/Electronic Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc. may be submitted by email to: rmartin@nifa.usda.gov; by Fax to: 202-720-0857; or by Mail to: Office of Information Technology (OIT), NIFA, USDA, STOP 2216,1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-2216.

Hand-or courier-delivered submittals: Deliver to Robert Martin, Office of Information Technology (OIT), NIFA, USDA, 800 Main Avenue, SW, Room 4206 Waterfront Centre, Washington, DC 20024. Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name (NIFA) and docket number NIFA-2017-0005. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to http://www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Martin, eGovernment Program Leader; E-mail: rmartin@nifa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Title:</u> Application for Authorization to Use the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem.

OMB Number: 0524-0034.

Expiration Date of Current Approval: March 31, 2019.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval for the revision of a currently approved information collection for three years. Abstract: Use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem is authorized by an Act of Congress (18 U.S.C. 707). Use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem by anyone other than 4-H Clubs and those duly authorized by them, representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, the land grant colleges and universities, and persons authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture is prohibited by the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 707. The Secretary of Agriculture has delegated authority to the Administrator of NIFA to authorize others to use the 4-H Club Name and Emblem. The Administrator has promulgated regulations at 7 CFR part 8 that govern such use. The regulatory requirements for use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem reflect the high standards of 4-H and its educational goals and objectives. Pursuant to provisions of 7 CFR part 8 anyone requesting authorization from the Administrator to use the 4-H Club Name and Emblem is asked to describe the proposed use in a formal application. The collection of this information is used to determine whether the applicant's proposed use will meet the regulatory requirements in 7 CFR part 8 and whether an authorization for use should be granted.

Need and Use of the Information: NIFA will collect information on the name of the individual, partnership, corporation, or association; the organizational address; the name of an authorized representative; the telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address; the proposed use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem; and the plan for sale or distribution of the product bearing the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem. The information collected by NIFA will be used to determine if those applying to use the 4-H Name and/or Emblem meet the regulatory requirements. If the information is not collected, it would not be possible to ensure that the products, services, and materials meet the regulatory requirements as well as 4-H educational goals and objectives.

Estimate of Burden: Minor changes have been proposed to this collection to increase ease of use while clarifying the information needed. Drop down menus were created to replace the open text boxes to standardize the categories and terms used to describe the requests. The public reporting burden remains at the estimated average .5 hours per response.

<u>Type of Respondents:</u> Individuals, households, business or other for-profit or not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: [50]

Estimated Number of Responses: [50]. If there is only one form/non-form to complete one time annually this figure will be

the same as respondents. However, this figure may be higher if multiple forms/non-forms each respondent completes one time or multiple times.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: [1] Number of responses divided by the number of respondents.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: [25]. As stated in 13c of the Form OMB 83-1.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request to OMB for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, D.C., this $\underline{17th}$ day of \underline{August} , 2017. Michele Esch,

Acting Chief of Staff, Research, Education, and Economics

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